# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# RURAL DEVELOPMENT
# LOK SABHA

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Saranda Action Plan
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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) the details and objectives of the Saranda Action Plan in the State of Jharkhand;

(b) the total expenditure incurred on the said plan;

(c) whether rampant corruption and irregularities under the said action plan have come to the notice of the Government;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the outcome of the inquiry/investigation conducted in this regard; and

(e) if not, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government for the corruption free implementation of the Action Plan?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a) : Saranda Action plan is implemented in West Singhbhum district of Jharkhand. The plan area covers 820 square kms of the densest Sal forest of Asian continent. It covers around 7000 households with a population of 36500 people in 56 villages from 6 panchayats of Manoharpur block. It has 46 revenue villages and 10 forest villages. The objectives of the SARANDA Action plan are as follows:

1. Bridging the trust deficit through welfare/development programme.

2. Intervention of Short and Medium Term Activities with constant monitoring and improvement using multi stakeholders' participation.

(b) : There are two major funds incurred for the Saranda Action Plan:

1. Central and State share of Rs. 2860.01Lakhs was allocated for construction of 6000 dwelling units with 100% saturation of rural housing through Indira Awaas Yojana, out of which the total expenditure till date is Rs. 2187.56 Lakhs.

2. The additional central assistance of Rs. 640.44. Lakhs was sanctioned for various infrastructural developments, out of which the total expenditure till date is Rs. 357.851 Lakhs. The total expenditure incurred till date using both the above grants is Rs. 2545.41 Lakhs.

(c) : As per information provided by the Government of Jharkhand, no such corruption or irregularities have come to notice as yet.

(d) : Does not apply.

(e) : The steps taken by the government for corruption free implementation of the action plan includes inclusive approach towards participatory mode of implementation through Community and Self Help Groups, awareness drives and Information, Education and Communication (IEC) activities through Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) and Social audit.

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